

## Message Text

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EO 11652: GDS  
TAGS: ETRD EEWT CU UR  
SUBJ: CUBAN-SOVIET TRADE AGREEMENT

REF: A. HAVANA 210 B. 77 HAVANA 871

1. JAPANESE EMBASSY, MARCH 8, INDICATED THAT, AS FAR AS THEY  
ARE AWARE, CUBAN-SOVIET TRADE AGREEMENT FOR 1978 HAS NOT YET  
BEEN SIGNED. CAUSE OF DELAY

JAPANESE BELIEVE, IS SOVIET  
REALIGNMENT OF CURRENT FIVE YEAR PLAN TARGET FIGURES AND  
REQUIREMENTS.

2. COMMENT: MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE INDICATED, MARCH 7,  
THAT VICE-MINISTER GERMAN AMADO-BLANCO, CHARGED WITH SOCIALIST  
COUNTRY AFFAIRS, IS STILL OUT OF COUNTRY. WE PRESUME THAT  
HE IS IN MOSCOW (AS WAS LOCAL SOVIET TRADE REPRESENTATIVE  
SAVOSTIANOV WHO DIED IN SOVIET CAPITAL IN MID-FEBRUARY.)  
ACCORDING TO SOVIET TRADE PERSONNEL HERE (REFTEL B), ONE OF  
MAIN CAUSES OF DELAY IN AGREEMENT IS DETERMINATION OF CONTENT  
OF SO-CALLED "VERIOUS ARTICLES" AGREEMENT CATEGORY IN  
WHICH CUBANS WISH TO INSERT A NUMBER OF HIGH-VALUE  
ITEMS WHICH THEY FORMERLY BOUGHT IN WEST. WE PRESUME  
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THAT APPARENT ESTABLISHMENT OF FAVORABLE, STABLE PRICE OF  
SOVIET PETROLEUM PRODUCTS FOR CUBA FOR NEXT THREE YEARS  
(SEE HAVANA 506) WILL HELP WCCCELERATE SOLUTION OF REMAINING  
CONTENTIOUS TRADE AGREEMENT PROBLEMS.  
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